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March 20, 2000

TO: ALL COUNTY CLERKS/REGISTRARS OF VOTERS AND
PROPOSERS (00103)

FROM:


JOANNA SOUTHARD
Elections Analyst

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SUBJECT: INITIATIVE #856

Pursuant to Elections Code section 9030(b), you are hereby notified that the total number of signatures to the hereinafter named proposed INITIATIVE STATUTE filed with all county elections officials is less than 100 percent of the number of qualified voters required to find the petition sufficient; therefore, the petition has **failed**.

TITLE: GENETICALLY ENGINEERED FOOD.

SUMMARY DATE: October 7, 1999

PROPOSER: Robert Henry Cannard

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October 7, 1999

TO: ALL REGISTRARS OF VOTERS, OR COUNTY CLERKS, AND PROPONENTS (99219)

FROM: *Deirdre Avent*
DEIRDRE AVENT
ELECTIONS ANALYST

SUBJECT: INITIATIVE #856

Pursuant to Elections Code section 336, we transmit herewith a copy of the Title and Summary prepared by the Attorney General on a proposed initiative measure entitled:

**GENETICALLY ENGINEERED FOOD.
INITIATIVE STATUTE.**

The proponent of the above-named measure is:

Robert Henry Cannard
1998 Sobre Vista Road
Sonoma, CA 95476
(707) 938-8424

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#856
GENETICALLY ENGINEERED FOOD.
INITIATIVE STATUTE.

CIRCULATING AND FILING SCHEDULE

1. Minimum number of signatures required: 419,260
California Constitution, Article II, Section 8(b)
2. Official Summary Date:..... Thursday, 10/07/99
Elections Code section (EC§) 336
3. Petitions Sections:
 - a. First day Proponent can circulate Sections for
signatures (EC §336) Thursday, 10/07/99
 - b. Last day Proponent can circulate and file
with the county. All sections are to be filed at the
same time within each county (EC §336, 9030(a)) Monday, 03/06/00*
 - c. Last day for county to determine total number of
signatures affixed to petitions and to transmit total
to the Secretary of State (EC §9030(b))..... Thursday, 03/16/00

(If the Proponent files the petition with the county on a date prior to 03/06/00,
the county has eight working days from the filing of the petition to determine the
total number of signatures affixed to the petition and to transmit the total to the
Secretary of State) (EC §9030(b)).
 - d. Secretary of State determines whether the total number
of signatures filed with all county clerks/registrars of
voters meets the minimum number of required signatures,
and notifies the counties (EC §9030(c)) Saturday, 03/25/00**
 - e. Last day for county to determine total number of qualified
voters who signed the petition, and to transmit certificate
with a blank copy of the petition to the Secretary of State
(EC §9030(d)(e)) Monday, 05/08/00

* Date adjusted for official deadline which falls on a Sunday. EC §15

** Date varies based on receipt of county certification.

INITIATIVE #856

Circulating and Filing Schedule continued:

(If the Secretary of State notifies the county to determine the number of qualified voters who signed the petition on a date other than 03/25/00, the last day is no later than the thirtieth day after the county's receipt of notification). (EC §9030(d)(e)).

- f. If the signature count is more than 461,003 or less than 398,139 then the Secretary of State certifies the petition as qualified or failed, and notifies the counties. If the signature count is between 398,139 and 461,003 inclusive, then the Secretary of State notifies the counties using the random sampling technique to determine the validity of **all** signatures (EC §9030(f)(g); 9031(a)) Thursday, 05/18/00**
- g. Last day for county to determine actual number of all qualified voters who signed the petition, and to transmit certificate with a blank copy of the petition to the Secretary of State (EC §9031(b)(c)).Friday, 06/30/00

(If the Secretary of State notifies the county to determine the number of qualified voters who have signed the petition on a date other than 05/18/00, the last day is no later than the thirtieth working day after the county's receipt of notification). EC §9031(b)(c).

- h. Secretary of State certifies whether the petition has been signed by the number of qualified voters required to declare the petition sufficient (EC §9031(d); 9033).....Tuesday, 07/04/00**

** Date varies based upon receipt of county certification.

IMPORTANT POINTS

- California law prohibits the use of signatures, names and addresses gathered on initiative petitions for any purpose other than to qualify the initiative measure for the ballot. This means that the petitions cannot be used to create or add to mailing lists or similar lists for any purpose, including fundraising or requests for support. Any such misuses constitutes a crime under California law. Elections Code section 18650; *Bilofsky v. Deukmejian* (1981) 123 Cal. App. 3d 825, 177 Cal. Rptr. 621; 63 Ops. Cal. Atty. Gen. 37 (1980).
- Please refer to Elections Code sections 100, 101, 104, 9001, 9008, 9009, 9021, and 9022 for appropriate format and type consideration in printing, typing and otherwise preparing your initiative petition for circulation in printing, typing and otherwise preparing your initiative petition for circulation and signatures. Please send a copy of the petition after you have it printed. This copy is not for our review or approval, but to supplement our file.
- Your attention is directed to the campaign disclosure requirements of the **Political Reform Act of 1974**, Government Code section 81000 et seq. A brief summary is attached for your reference.
- When writing or calling state or county elections officials, provide the official title of the initiative which was prepared by the Attorney General. Use of this title will assist elections officials in referencing the proper file.
- When a petition is presented to the county elections official for filing by someone other than the proponent, the required authorization shall include the name or names of the persons filing the petition.
- When filing the petition with the county elections official, please provide a blank petition for elections official use.

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BILL LOCKYER
Attorney General

State of California
DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE



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October 7, 1999

Bill Jones
Secretary of State
1500 - 11th Street, 5th Floor
Sacramento, California 95814

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In the office of the Secretary of State
of the State of California

OCT 07 1999

RE: INITIATIVE TITLE AND SUMMARY
SUBJECT: GENETICALLY ENGINEERED FOOD.
INITIATIVE STATUTE.
FILE NO: SA1999RF0034

BILL JONES, Secretary of State
By *Hurd Avent*
Deputy Secretary of State

Dear Mr. Jones:

Pursuant to the provisions of sections 9004 and 336 of the Elections Code, you are hereby notified that on this day we mailed our title and summary to the proponent of the above-identified proposed initiative.

Enclosed is a copy of our transmittal letter to the proponent, a copy of our title and summary, a declaration of service thereof, and a copy of the proposed measure.

According to information available in our records, the name and address of the proponent is as stated on the declaration of service.

Sincerely,

Diane Calkins

DIANE CALKINS
Initiative Coordinator

For **BILL LOCKYER**
Attorney General

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Date: October 7, 1999
File No.: SA1999RF0034

The Attorney General of California has prepared the following title and summary of the chief purpose and points of the proposed measure:

GENETICALLY ENGINEERED FOOD. INITIATIVE STATUTE. Declares that the People of California wish to see foods grown and meats raised with genetically engineered influences labeled at the retail level as follows: "Produced with Genetically Engineered Ingredients."

Defines the term "genetic engineered influences." States that historical breeding techniques such as hybridization through mass selection, controlled crossing, line breeding, and back crossing are not to be considered genetic engineering. Summary of estimate by Legislative Analyst and Director of Finance of fiscal impact on state and local government: This measure would result in state costs of several million dollars annually, and potentially state revenue reductions that are probably minor in the context of overall state revenues.

SA1999 RF0034

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Sonoma Calif. 95476

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Attorney General:

This letter is a formal written request for a title and summary of the proposed measure (enclosed).

INITIATIVE COORDINATOR
ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE

Sincerely



Robert Cannard

Proposed Law
The Right to Know
Genetically Engineered Food Labeling

We The People of the State of California wish to see foods grown and meats raised with genetically engineered influences to be labeled at the retail level with "Produced with Genetically Engineered Ingredients", in type equal to and immediately proceeding product ingredient labeling.

Genetic engineered influences are defined as: Crops and livestock containing genetic material transferred from one species to another or other DNA modifications not commonly possible under natural conditions such as cell fusion, gene deletion or doubling, and induced sequence or encapsulation variations.

Historical breeding techniques such as hybridization through mass selection, controlled crossing, line breeding, back crossing, are not considered to be genetic engineering.

Name (print)

Address

Signature

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Robert Henry Cannard.

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1998 Sobee Vista Rd

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